Town of Lunenburg

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION P.O. Box 135 Lunenburg, MA 01462-0135



Jeffrey Mendoza, Chairman Garrett Stillman, Vice-Chairman Maureen Dupuis, Clerk Douglas MacMillan, Member Renee Trakimas, Member

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION July 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Posted: Yes Place: The Ritter Building

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Present: J. Mendoza, D. MacMillan, R. Trakimas

Minutes Approval: Minutes from previous meeting June 18th were not available as the Clerk was unable to attend.

As the interim Farmers' Market manager was unable to attend, the agenda items pertaining to the Farmers' Market were not discussed. The Agricultural Commission's sponsorship of the upcoming Lunenburg Town Band Concert was discussed, with the decision to provide baked goods, cotton candy, water, a 50/50 raffle and additional musical entertainment.

The meeting was attended by the owners of 324 Mulpus Road, who were looking for clarification and possible assistance in navigating a compliant issued by the Conservation Commission concerning tree removal on their farm. General suggestions, advice, and information were offered, including viewing of maps and explanation of the Massachusetts and Town of Lunenburg's Right to Farm bylaws. The Planning Board liaison, who was in attendance, was able to answer many questions and provided copious information to the property owners. The Chairman offered to contact the Conservation Commission on the property owner's behalf.

A letter drafted by the Chairman to the owners of 125 Howard Street reflecting the opinions of the Agricultural Commission following review of information provided during a discussion at the May 21st, 2015 AgCom meeting and a site visit by the Chairman on June 11th, 2015 was reviewed and approved.

A grievance concerning re-selling of produce was verbally filed by a vendor participating in the Farmers' Market. It was requested that the grievance be filed in writing as well, in order to facilitate clarity and resolution.

The next meeting was scheduled for August 20, 2015 at 7:00 pm at The Ritter Building and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Jeffrey L. Mendoza